

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

At the time when the detection unit 11 detects disconnection of a device, the judgement unit 14 controls the timing unit 12 to start measuring elapsed time since the detection. When the measured elapsed time reaches a predetermined time, the uninstall process of control software for the device is started. Further, the uninstall process includes a plurality of stages, and the judgement unit 14 executes each stage in response to the measured elapsed time. If the detection unit 11 detects reconnection of the device before the uninstall process has been completed, the judgement unit 14 stops the uninstall process and restores the control software and related information to the state before the uninstall process.